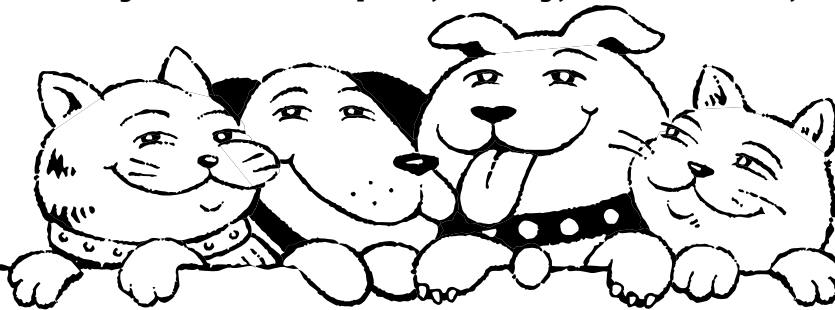


You Could Win!

Enter the 2004 Animal Essay Contest at your school

This writing contest is open to 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students living within the City of Arlington, who attend public or private schools.

Contest begins: Monday, October 18, 2004
Entry deadline: 5 p.m., Friday, November 5, 2004



The City of Arlington in conjunction with PAWS 2005, have combined efforts to raise funds to construct and sustain a new animal services center. The goals are to: 1) Incorporate state-of-art-design, facilities and equipment in order to provide a safe haven for the animals of Arlington, and 2) serve the residents of Arlington by providing the highest standards of animal care and customer service.

In the spirit of this initiative, students are invited to write an essay on the following topic related to the design and features of a new Animal Services Center:

If you were asked to design a new animal shelter (Suggested Writing Points)

- What would it look like?
- What features would it include?
- What type of equipment would be needed to care for and house the animals?
- What services would be provided?
- What active roles do animal shelters have in your community?

Top contest winners selected from all entries received will be awarded a Series EE U.S. Savings Bond.

First Place—\$500 bond • Second Place—\$350 bond • Third Place—\$150 bond

See back for more information.

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CONTEST GUIDELINES

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Essay Contest Guidelines

- Only one essay per student is allowed.
- Students must live within the City of Arlington in order to enter the contest.
- Submitted material must be original and **must not exceed 500 words**.
- Submitted material may be handwritten or typed.
- The cover sheet must contain the student's name, address and phone number, school, grade level and teacher's name.
- Entries that are mailed should be sent to the address below, and must be **postmarked NO LATER** than Friday, November 5, 2004

City of Arlington Office of Communication
ATTN: Animal Essay Contest
Mail Stop 01-0370
Post Office Box 90231
Arlington, Texas 76004-3231

- Entries may be hand-delivered to the Water Customer Service Desk located on the first floor of City Hall at 101 W. Abram St. Entries may also be hand-delivered to the Water Utilities South Service Center at 1100 S.W. Green Oaks Blvd. Both locations are staffed from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. **No hand-delivered entries will be accepted at either location after 5 p.m. Friday, November 5, 2004.**
- Teachers may mail or hand-deliver all entries from their class, grade or school.
- Essays will be judged on the elements of effective writing: Focus and Coherence, Organization, Development of Ideas, Voice and Conventions. The decision of the Essay Judges Committee is final. The panel of essay judges will include but is not limited to local citizens and members of the Arlington Animal Services Center Advisory Board.
- For more information, parents should consult their child's teacher or contact Mike Bass, Animal Services Manager at 817-451-3436.